



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1324 - SB 1268

March 20, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (006177): Expands the conditions for which a member of a local board of education may participate electronically in a scheduled board meeting. Requires a board member wishing to participate electronically in a scheduled board meeting, and who is or will be out of the county because of work, to give at least five days' notice.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The proposed legislation will allow members to participate in a board meeting electronically if they are: 1) physically ill or in a period of convalescence; or 2) out due to inclement weather or natural disaster if the schools in the local education agency (LEA) are closed.
- Current law allows a board member who meets the required conditions to participate in a scheduled board meeting electronically up to two times per year. The proposed legislation imposes a five-day notification requirement for board members and establishes limits to participate electronically as follows:
 - Two times per year if the member is out of the county due to work;
 - Six times per year if the member is sick or convalescing;
 - Six times per year if the member is out due to inclement weather or natural disaster if the schools in the LEA are closed; and
 - Two times per year if the member has a family emergency that inhibits the member from attending the board meeting in person.
- Local boards of education will be able update their policies regarding the criteria to participate in a board meeting electronically within existing resources. Any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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